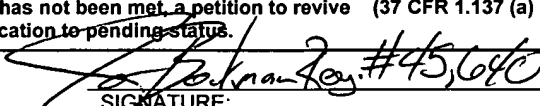


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| <b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES<br/> DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)<br/> CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>   |  | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER<br>492322028400  |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.<br>PCT/JP2003/015328  | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE<br>1 December 2003 | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)<br><b>10/537124</b><br>Not Yet Assigned |
| TITLE OF INVENTION<br>CIRCUIT LAYOUT CONFIGURATION  |  | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED<br>3 December 2002  |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US<br>Sachin AGGARWAL  |  |   |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:   |  |   |
| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.<br>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.<br>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.<br>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).<br>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))<br>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).<br>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.<br>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).<br>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).<br>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.<br>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).<br>7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))<br>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).<br>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.<br>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.<br>d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.<br>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).<br>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).<br>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). |  |   |
| <b>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b>  |  |   |
| 11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.<br>12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.<br>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.<br>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.<br>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.<br>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.<br>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.<br>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).<br>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).<br>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: International Publication No.: WO 2004/051741, PCT Request (PCT/RO/I01), PCT/RO/I05, PCT/ISA/210, PCT/ISA/220, PCT/IB/308 and Return Postcard   |  |   |

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| 21. The following fees are submitted:   |                             |   |  |   |              |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   | a) Basic national fee ..... | \$300.00  | \$   | 300.00  |              |
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| a. <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees is enclosed.<br>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>03-1952</u> in the amount of \$ <u>1040.00</u> to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.<br>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>03-1952</u> . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.<br>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING:</b> Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. |                             |   |  |   |              |
| <b>NOTE:</b> Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137 (a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.  |                             |   |  |   |              |
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